# THE First parte of Pasquils Apologie.

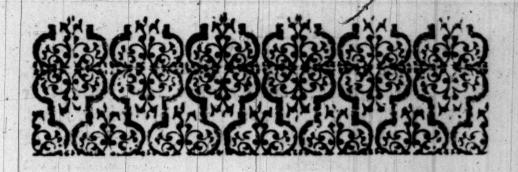
Wherin he renders a reason to his friendes
of his long silence: and gallops the sielde with the
Treatise of Resormation lately written
by a sugitive, Iohn
Penrie.



Printed where I was, and where I will bee readie by the helpe of God and my Muse, to send you the May-game of Martinisme for an intermedium, betweene the first and seconde part of the Apologie.

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# OF PASQUILS APO-LOGIE.



F it be a vanitie and vexation of hart, for a man to toyle in hys life to gather treasure, when he knowes not whither he be wife or foolish that shall inherite it: we may thinke the sweat of our spirits to be somewhat friuolous, which write & print, when

we cannot tell whether they will prooue sober or franticke to whom we leave the possession of our labours. It
is nowe almost a full yeere, since I first entred into the
lystes against the Faction, promising other Bookes
which I keepe in yet, because the opening of them, is
such an opening of waters, as will fill the eares of the
world with a fearefull roaring. Were I but a dogge, wise
men would suffer me to bay in the defence of mine own
maister, but being a lively stone, squared and layd into
Gods building, by the hands of many excellent workmen in the Church of England, when I see the theese,
and the sente of Church-robbers is in my nosthrils, shall
I not lay out my throate to keepe them off?

I know, that fince the beginning of all these broyles in our Church of England, not onely the L. Archb. of Canterburie in his learned works, but many other reue-

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rende, religious, and worthy men, both at Paules-crosse, and the Pulpits in Cittie and Country, have with great skill and sobrietie, toucht euery string of the holy scriptures, and warbled sweetlie, to cast out the soule spirit of the Faction with Dauids harpe: but their madnesse on the contrarie part hath so encreased, that their attempt is still to nayle our best men to the wall with the speare of slaunder.

By these events you may easily perceive what successe they are like to have, that deale with so leaden and sandie braines, he that hazards his time and cost to teach them, adventures to waken the drowsie out of a dreame, their heads fall downe the lower for the lifting vp, and they defile vs with dust when they shake themselves.

I could for my part be well contented, to throwe my felfe at their feete with teares, and entreatie, to stop their course: that the weake (for whom lesus Christ hath dyed,) may not see vs runne one at another like furious Bulles, soming, and casting out those reproches, which heereafter we shall neuer be able to wipe awaie; and when we should joyne to encounter the common enemie, the first view of each other, will enforce vs to braule againe. But seeing sobriette will doe no good, let them be well assured, that if I catch such a brimse in my pen as I caught the last August, I will neuer leave slynging about with them, so long as I finde anie ground to be are me. Contention is a coale, the more it is blowne by dysputation, the more it kindleth, I must spit in they faces to put it out.

Euer fince the last Michelmas Tearme, many thoufands of my freendes have looked for me, whom I am loath to enforce to loose their longing: and though in filence I gloate through the fingers at other matters, yet am I not care esse of the quarrell nowe in hand. The peace of Ierusalem, which the faithfull are bound to pray for, is the onely thing that hath brought me to thys long

and quiet pause; wherein I have set the example of Dauid before mine eyes, seeking with my hart a surcease of Armes, even of those that hated peace, and prepared themselves to battaile when I spake vnto them. The case so standing, I trust I am worthy to be held excused, if I muster and traine my men a newe, that the enemies of GOD, and the state wherein I live, may be stopt of they passage and driven backe, or vtterly soyled in the field and overthrown.

My labour in this peece of service will be the lesse, because the byshop of my soule, my L. Archb. of Cant. strooke off the head of the serpent long agone, it is nothing but the tayle that modueth now. Some small rubs, as I heare, have been cast in my way to hinder my comming forth, but they shall not profit. It is reported, that a student at the Lawe, hath undertaken to be a stickler betweene us all, his booke is not in print, and I came a day short of the sight of the coppie of it. For any thing I heare, he quencheth the strite with a pinte of water and a pottle of sire. I little thought his leysure would have suffered him, to have any more then a common kinde of knowledge, in matters so sarre removed from the course of his studie, place, and calling.

They that are most conversant in the Scriptures, finde the booke to be shut with many seales, it is not for every finger to breake them vp; the word is a treasure kept vnder many locks, which are not to be opened with everie key. He onely that hath the key of David, hath graunted out a commission to the lippes of his Priestes to come within it. So that if I doubt of any matter there, I may not knocke for it at the Chamber-dore of a common Counseller, but have recourse vnto them, whom God himselfe appointed to teach sacob before any Inne of courte was reard. I can tell him that M. Bucer, Peter Marryr, and that auncient Entellus of the Church of England the B. of Sarisburie, have travast our Church

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with as graue a gate as he, and founde nothing in it to stumble at. Therefore what I say to him, I say to the rest of our Reformers, whose tongues are so busic to licke out the moates of their bretherens eyes, if they have any wisedome in theyr vessels, let them be carefull howe they lende it out, least that when the suddaine shoute of the comming of the Bridegroome shall be given, and everie virgin would be glad to trime his owne Lampe,

there be not enough for them and others.

Some other things there are that made me looke backe, and measure the rase I had runne alreadie, before I bid any man the bace againe. To this I was ftirred up, by the diflike that some had of the ierke which I gave to Fryer Sananarol: ô quoth one, he was the first that inuented our Religion; this fellow seemes to have a Pope in his bellie as bigge as Alexander, he would make you beleeve, that our Church hath borrowed the light of her Torche at a Fryers Taper, which is far otherwise. Our Religion in England is no newe excrement of the braine of man, but drawne out of the fountaine of all trueth, God himselfe, who spake in olde time to our fathers, to Adam, to Enoch, to Noah, to Abraham, and so downward, to the Patriarches & Prophets that were all vnder the clowde, and fawe the promise a farre of, which was in the latter daies made manifest to vs in Iefus Christ. Our fayth and Religion, is the fayth and Religion of our father Abraham, fulfilling the prophecie of Zacharie, who told vs before, that all nations should take holde of the skyrte of a Iewe, and fay, we will goe with thee, we have heard that God is with thee. Confidering what was the hope of our fathers, and the hope of vs, what was preached to them, & what to vs, our Religion may fay with the Sonne of God; I came out of the month of the most Highest.

I tooke another nybling like a Minew about Bezaes Icones, where you shall finde commendation is given to Sauanarol.

Sananarol, and the fishe that was strooken with Bezas hooke, is Percenall the plaine, but because his hande so shooke when he carried his coppie to the Presse, that he crost his accusation out againe, I will sheath enery weapon I had drawne in my defence. Onelie: I will gue the Readers to vinderstand, that the commendations which eyther M. Foxe, or M. Beza do give to Savanarol, are to be attributed to the best parts that were in him, that is, to the glimmering he had of the face of God in fo darke a time, wherein he inueighed against the pride of the Court of Rome, a matter that Petrarche the poeticall Priest touched as well as he; I can shewe you even by the Sermons that founne him a halter to Rop his breath, he was no Protestant. For in seme of them he taught the popish distinction of venials and mortals sinne, in some he preached merit, in some the reall presence in the faerifice of the Masse, and in the ende of his fixt Sermon made in Florence, uppon the finishing of Neahs Aike, confider what he fayth. Io vi vogho rinelare uno fecreto: che infino a qui, non bo voluto dirlo: perche non bo baunto tanta certezza, come ho haunto da diece hore in qua, ciascuno di voi credo che conoscesse el conte Gionanni della Mirandola, che stana qui in Firenze : et e morto, pochi giorni sono. Dicoui, che l'anima sua per le orationi di frati, & anche per alcune sue buone opere che fece in questa vita, et per altre orationi, e nel purgatorio. Orate pro co. &c. I wil tel you faith he) a secrete, which to this day I have refused to vtter, because I had no great certaintie of the matter vntill within these ten howres. I think every one of you knew the Countie John Mirandola, which lived here in Florence, and died within these fewe dayes. I tell you that his foule, by vertue of the prayers of the Friers and of some good works he did whilft he lived, together wyth some other prayers, is now in Purgatorie, pray for him.

See heere how many blaines breake out of the Fryer in a little space. A reuelation concerning merit, pur-

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gatorie and prayer for the dead. Therefore as S. Ieron commendeth Origen for his memorie, labour, and sharp fight into many places of holy Scripture, yet reproueth him for his errors: fo I thinke well with M. Foxe and M. Beza of that which was good in Fryer Sananaroll, though I compared him with Martin for hys factious head, pleading in Florence as Martin did in England for a newe gouernment, at such a time as Armes and inuafion clattered about their eares. It may be I am of some better sente then you take me for, and finding a Machiauellian tricke in this plot of innovation, I was the more willing to lay Sauanarols example before your eyes, that having recourse vnto Machianell in whom it is recorded, you might see Machianels judgment vpon the same. His opinion is, that when fuch a peaze may be drawne through the nofes of the people as to beare a change, the Maisters of the Faction are most happie, they may doe what they lust without controlment.

I heard a byrd fing more then I meane to fay, but riddle me, riddle me, what was he that told a very freend of his, he would owe neuer a pennie in England in one halfe yeere? His living confidered, though it were fayre, the fale of all he possessed would hardly doe it, the time

was so busie when he spake it, that no such largesse could be looked for at the hands of her Ma. who had requited every penni-woorth of duetie with many a pounde offaucur long before: no singring of Spanish coyne mought be mistrusted: & the Philosophers stone to turne mettles into gold, is yet to seeke; I cannot de-

uise which way so rounde summes could be so readilie compast, but by the spoyle of Bishopricks, Deaneries, and Cathedrall Churches, which very shortly after were

Stoutly pushed at. Credit me, hee spake somewhat neerer the point then himselfe was ware of, for if his soule be gone the way of the just, his debt is already can-

celd. Let him goe, let him goe, I could tell you myste-

ries, but there is a whole Chamber full of sentences in the land, the very painting of the walles is wifedome, whence I learned this lesion. Acerbum est ab co ladi, de quo non poteris tuto queri : it is a shrewde matter to be wrunge by him, against whom a man cannot with anie fafetie open his mouth to make complaint. Sure I am that by practifes and pollicies, the garment of Christ is torne in peeces, and the Church is ouertaken with fuch a flawe, that it is high time every fugitive of the faction were hurled with fonas into the Sea. They thunder their fentence out of the clowdes, and contrarie to the rule of Gods Apostle, they take vpon them to judge men before the time. Whofoeuer readeth the Epistle and treatise of John Penrie concerning Reformation, that discouer thys · fwelling and fawcie humour in him against her Maie-Ities right honourable privic Counfell.

I remember the wisedome of the land in a grave Oration delivered in the Starre-chamber, compared our
Nobilitie and men of marke, to the flowers that stand about the Princes Crowne, garnishing & giving a grace
vnto it, to deface any one of them, is an open injurie offered to the Crowne it selfe. Howe Penrie or any Puritane, that reacheth at the ornaments of the Crowne, can
be faithfull or dutifull to her Maiestie, I leave it to the
indgement even of the meanest that is but indued with
common sence. I will let passe the grave resummine of
so grave a Counseller, and set the axe of the word to the

The great commaunder of the world, hath appointed certaine boundes and land marks vinto our lips. Exo. 22. 28. Thou shalt not raile upon the Judges, nor steake cuill of the Ruler of thy people. You may resolve upon this, that there is no time of the Moone sette for us to open the Maister vaine. To charge her Ma. right honourable privile Counsell, with insolencie, injustice, murther in the highest degree, year more, the very killing and cru-

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cifying of Christ a fresh, is nothing els but to remoue the Land-marks and lymits by God prescribed, that never a a subject heereafter might knowe his duetie. I warrant you the cunning Pap-maker knewe what he did, when he made choyle of no other spoone than a hatchet for fuch a mouth no other lace then a halter for fuch a neck. Yet is Penrie become a man of law, he can frame an Inditement out of the Pfalmes, against such as fit & taunte at theyr bretheren in eueric corner, when the plea may be turned vpon himselfe, in that none have given theyt mouth vnto euill so much as he. Let me deale with him for it by interrogatories. Who had the ouerfight of the Libell at Fawflie ? John of Wales: Who was corrector to the Presse at Couentrie ? John of Wales : Who wrote the last treatise of Reformation so full of saunders, but Iohn of Wales? Is it so brother Iohn, can you byte and whine? then heare thy selfe indited againe by Pasquill. Thou hast railed vpon the Judges, and spoken euill of the Rulers of thy people; thou hast ascended about the clowdes and made thy felfe like to the most High.

What sentence shall we looke for against him now? I must set the trumpet of Esay to my mouth, and deliuer him nothing but points of warre. Thou that hast
sette thy throne about the starres, shalt be brought
downe vnto the graue, the Princes shall sleepe in glorie,
euery one in his own house, but thou shalt be troden as
a carcasse vnder feete, & euery one that beholdeth thee
shall say, is thys the iollie fellow that shooke kingdoms

Hauing given many hisses of the old serpent agains his betters, in the Epistle to the treatise, in the treatise it selfe he begins to rolle vp his head within his scales, and would sayne prove that Puritans be no Traytors. Wylyou see his reason? Because in the treasonable attempts against her Ma. these 31. yeeres, no one Puritane can be shewed, saith he, to have had any part in them. Is thys the best proofe he can affoorde vs? I am so sicke in the stomache

Stomache when I reade is that if some of my freends did not hold my head, I shold cast every minute of an houre; Hath the Toade no poyfon before he spits it, and the Scorpion no fting in his tayle before hee thrusts it out? Be there no more Traytors in England then be taken? And is it such a matter as cannot be found, that ever anie Puritane became a Traytor? Without doubt he speakes like an Iland man, that imagins there be no more beaftes abroade, then fuch as graze vpon the Mountains of Wales at home. You that are Oxford men, enquire whether Walpoole were not a Puritane when he forlooke you? and you that have travailed aunswere for me, whether he be not now a Iesuite, in the Italian Colledge of Iesuites at Rome? a sworne servaunt to the Pope and counsel of Trent, reade the oath in the end of the booke you that have the Counfel, and then resolue me whether no one instance may be given of any Puritane, that in all these thirtie one yeeres hath become a Traytor ? I could reckon up vnto him nowe, what excellent hope the English Cardinall conceineth of a Puritane; he that hath fuch a dubble quartane of curiofitie before he comes amongst them, will produc passing trecherous, and passing superstitious as soone as he is burnt with the funne of the Alpes.

But giue me leaue a little, to search what treason may be laid to Puritanes at home. Popish traytors hold, that they may excommunicate their King, if he hinder the building of theyr Church, and he being excommupicate, they fay they are discharged of theyr obedience. If such a prime Fistuloe doe not eate into the hearts of Puritans at home, I refer you to the Philitians that dylcouered thys mischiefe before I was able to espie it. You shall finde such a matter in the Appendix to the Port 19-1first treatise of the Aunswer to the Abstract. They pitch themselves upon a Law of Tenures for vassals & Lords, and would draw it outlike a wier from Subjects to Prin-

ces, from which they are roundly beaten by a learned Ciuilian in the land. About all other, reade the defence of the Aunswer to the Admonition, in the whole Treatise of the Princes right in matters Ecclesiasticall, beginning Pag. 694. My L. Archb. of Cant. hath so brused the Faction, and cut them in the skull, that they have lyen groning and panting, breathing and bleeding ever since; many as blinde a Chirurgion as Penrie, endenouring to close up their woundes hath made them wider, and less them all desperate upon their death bed. Considering how weake his Purgation is, let us examine his Reformation, and try whether that be any stronger.

The first petition he makes, is for a preaching Ministerie, he comes in very late with this request, we have thys alreadie. Thousands of able Ministers in the Church of England, number for number, no kingdome vider heaven can shew the like. Neverthelesse, because the reading of the word hath his place in our Church as well as preaching, it is vineger to his reeth, and maketh him very fawcie with his g. of Cant. He callengeth the. Archb. for affirming reading to be preaching, wherein my Reformer doth nothing but play the Jugler, he packs under-boord, and shewes not how farre forth the Archb. hath affirmed it. Preaching, faith the reuerend father, is taken two waies in the holie Scriptures. Generally, as it fignifies every kind of instruction by the word. A ets 15. 21. Where it is faid, that Mofes is preached in the Citties every Sabboth, when Mofes is read in the Cuties euery Sabboth. Particularly, strictly, and viuallie, preaching is taken for expounding the Scriptures, and applying the playster vnto the fore. He neyther sayth that reading is expounding, nor that reading is preaching, in respect of him that readeth, but in respect of Gods spyrite, which watereth the word, and makes it fruitfull to conversion in vs when it is read. For proofe wherof the testimonies of S. Cyprian and Ma. Foxe are there produced,

duced, together with the example of S. Augustine, who was converted by reading the latter end of the 12. chap. to the Romains. Cyprian saith, that God himselfe speakes vnto vs when the Scriptures are read; and Ma. Foxegyneth in his evidence of many that in the infancie of our Church, were brought out of darknes into light by reading, and hearing the newe Testament in the English

tongue.

Penrie speakes not one word of all this, because he was built but for a Flie-boate, to take and leave, when the skyrmish is too hote for him to tarrie, he may sette vp his fayles and runne away. It is a wonder to fee with how terrible an out-cry he takes his heeles, charging the Archb. to be a deceiver, to have his right eye blinded. and to deserve to be condemned for an Hæretick. Tantara, tantara, is he fled indeede? let me sende a Sakar after him. Is the holy Gholt a deceiver, that faith Mofes is preached when Moses is read? Is the right eye and vnderstanding of God put out, because he commaunds the message of feremie to be set downe in writing, and to be CAP. 36. read vnto his people? Are Christ and the Apostle to be condemnd for Hæreticks, because the one stoode vp L v E E. 4. in the Synagogue on the Sabboth day to read, the other chargeth Timothie to give attendance to reading till he 1. TIM. 4. com? Was the reading of the word when there went no preaching with it, no better then Swines blood before the Maiestie of GOD? Howe commeth it to passe then that God would have it fo ? and why doth he attribute an effect of preaching vitto reading, Iere. 36. 2 affirming that by this meanes the people may heare and repent, and he may forgue them their iniquities?

I wyll thresh at his shoulders before I leave him, let him make his complaint to his Maister Cartwright, and let him dresse him, if he please, when I have done with him. It is not his emptie reply of emptie seeders, darke eyes, ill work-men to hasten the haruest, that shall stop

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my mouth. I looke for scholatticall graspes, and aunfwers to fo grave and weightie arguments; he may not thinke to beguile nine appetite as women do their children that cry for meate, when they give them a bable to play withall. As a man comparing the ioy of heauen with the painfulnes of feare, cannot fay there is feare in heaven : yet as feare is taken for a reverence, and admiration of the works, the wonders, the iuffice, the trueth, and maiestie of God, it is no hard manner of speech at all, to fay there is feare in heaven, feare in the holy Angels, feare in the bosoms of the blesled: so if you compare the exposition and application that are in preaching, as preaching is strictly taken, with the barenesse of reading, in respect of the person of him that readeth, you cannot fay there is preaching in reading, nor that reading is preaching, without derogation vnto preaching: yet as preaching is taken in holy Scriptures for euery kinde of instruction by the word, the speech may be swalowed with ease enough, to say there is preaching in reading, and reading is preaching, as the Aunswer to the Admonition teacheth you.

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Though they grinne with the mouth, grinde with the teeth, stampe with the feete, and take stones with the Iewes to hurle at me, this truth shall be defended against them all. Neuerthelesse, I will not be theyr vpholder which lye fleeping and fnorting in their charges, vnapt or vnable to stand in the breach, or to run between the wrath of God and the people when the plague approcheth, for I wish with my heart that every Parrish had a Watch-man, who with the tongue of the learned might call vpon them : but this is fuch a matter as cannot by all the Bishops in the land be brought to passe. For suppose that all they who cannot preach could be remoued, where will you finde fufficient men for so manie places as would be voide? If you goe to our Vniuersities, they cannot affoord you one for twentie, which matter

matter T. C. saw well enough, when he had no other shift to aunswer this, but to say he looked for help from the Innes of Court. No doubt manie excellent learned wits, and religious mindes are nursed there, and suppose the Gentleman whose vnprinted booke I spake of, could find in his hart to make such an honorable change of life, as to forsake the barre to pleade for GOD, I doubt how many hundreds would follow him.

The Church of the Lande beeing still vnfurnisht, what shall we doe? I know what morsels Penrie would haue before he gapes, he will cry, let them be restored that are put to filence. If we should yeeld so much vnto him, (though the number of them also would not fill vp the emptie places) yet they must be examined by the Apoltles rule of cutting and deuiding the word a right, and not one of them should be admitted, that hath not a steddie hand to cleave just where the joynt is, where would they stande trowe you, which in stead of sound doctrine to feede our soules, have given vs the wine of giddines to turne our braines? I wil not trouble them at this time with their triall by the touch-stone of Contradicentes redarquere, for then I should find them so ill appointed, that they must be throwne ouer the Pulpit as thicke as hoppes. Therefore Penrie began to gather his wits vnto him, when he limitted his Petition to certaine bounds : he would have able men in euerie Congregation within England, as farre as possibly they might be prouided. Heere his wit is at the fullest, and presentlie it beginneth to wane againe, fore-feeing the matter, though possible with God, impossible with vs, it is verie boldly doone of him, before he knowes the waie of his own spirit, to judge the spirite of another man, and pronounce condemnation to a Bishop, before the tribunall seate of God, where he must stand to receive sentence vpon himselfe.

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writing against an erroncous Bishop (which neither all Warwicke, nor all Wales, shall euer be able to prooue by the Archb. of Canterburie) with great humilitie and humblenes of spirit, he fayd, that if the honour of the Priest-hoode, and reuerence of the very name of a Bishop did not with-hold him, and but that he called to minde the Apoltles aunswer, I knew not that he was high Priest: he confesseth with what out-cryes and heate of tearmes he could finde in his heart to inueigh against him. If so learned a Father as S. ferom, to whom Cartwright and Penrie may goe to schoole, had such a respect to the place & person of the Bishop of Ierusalem, euen then when he was suspected of the hæresies of Origen and Arrius, & refused personally to appeare in a Counfell to cleere himselfe, what a reverend regard ought euerie one of vs to have of the Bishops of Iesus Christ, which are and haue beene the very hands, whereby God hath delivered his truth vnto vs? He that receiveth and honors them, receives and honors not them fo much as him, whose Bishops vndoubtedly they are. Heerein neighbour Cartwright I challenge you of a daungerous Angina in your throate, how durft you presume to make so lowde a lie as to say the B. of Sarisburie D. Inell, cals the doctrine of the holy Ghost wantonnes? You would make vs beleeue, that if humanitie stayed you not, you could breake uppe his grave and bite him beeing dead, whom you durst not looke in the face whilst he lived. That Bishop hath a great many learned sonnes, first taught by him in his house, afterwardes maintained by his purse in the vniuersitie, they are all of the nature of the Elephant, the more they see the blood of their Mai-Iter thed, the more their courage increaseth, and they breake with the greater force into the battaile. They have all vowed to hale thee out of thy trenches by the head and eares, Pasquill is the meanest of them. Moreover brother Penru, I challenge you, and the

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whole rabble of your confederates, for all your malepart, murderous, and bloodie rayling, against the Archb. of Canterburie, one of her Maiesties right honourable priuie Counsell, against whom it appeareth your tongues are bent, to shoote still in secrete, and not to cease tyll sathans quiuor be spent, and no venim left, for any Hz-

reticke to vie that shall come after you.

Assure your selfe, the more you reuile him, the greater will his honour be, the world sees it well enough, and such as are not able to reade his works, may justly imagine by the course you take, that whom you cannot conquere by learned writings, you goe about to kyll with words. What is this, I pray you, but to fall groueling to the earth in the questions and controuersies scand betweene vs, and beeing downe, to vsethe last re-

fuge to kicke and spurne.

As for the reuerende Bishops of our soules, they know it better then I can tell them, that this is the waie, through which the Apostles of God were led, through good report and euill, as deceivers and yet true; They are no better then the Prophets, which dwelt as it were in a nest of Hornets; They are not so good as their Ma. Christ, they must feele the scourge of euill tongues as he hath doone. And though in this dogged generation and age of ours, wherein both Prelats & Princes are deprayed, they live every day in danger to have they skinnes torne, yet God for his Churches sake sprinckled over all the kingdoms of the world, shall give them a bodie of brasse to withstande the enemie, and make them a patterne to other Nations.

The second venue the Welch-man hath bestowed vpon vs, is a wipe ouer the shinnes of the Non Residents, which me thinkes might very well be returned to the brother-hood of the saction in Warwick-shire, of which I have seene more then I meane to name, mounted vpon their dubble Geldings, with theyr Wives behinde

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them, ryding and iaunsling from place to place, to feaste among the Gentlemen of the Shyre, and retyre to theyr charge when the whole weeke is wasted in pleasure, to preache to Gods people vpon a full stomach. These be the fellowes that cannot away with a virgin Priest. Goe to, goe to, but for Cholericke diseases this scorehing wether, I could point you out one by one, with a wette finger. Yet because that by the length of other mens frailties every man may take the measure of himselfe, I will carrie my mouth in my hart, and let them passe, and though there be a pad in the straw that must be rousse. I have taken out this sesson from the VVise; there is a

time for speech, and a time for silence.

I will not flie from the cause to the person of men, but grapple with the Reformer hand to hand. He gives vs a voley of Scriptures against Non Residents, not one of them proouing the matter he takes voon him. The places shall be fingled out, that you may see howe his wits wandred one from another when he quoated them. Rom. 10. v. 14. The Apoltle fayth, we cannot call vpon God without a Preacher. I graunt it. Nowe because we cannot worshippe him, before we have learned howe to worship him, shall we say we cannot doe is when we haue beene taught it, except we haue a Preacher continuallie present with vs? I denie it. Tis to reason thus, Mystresse Penrie cannot call upon GOD without the presence of a Preacher, ergo, the cannot pray in her bed without the presence of a Preacher. He coucheth that in the Scriptures which the Scriptures neuer meaned.

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1. Cor. 9. v. 16. Paule confesseth he must of necessities preach the Gospell, woe is him if he doe it not. And

1. Cor. 4. v. 2. The Minister must be faithfull. Transeat, for this concludeth nothing, but a necessitie of teaching before learning, and in them that teach, a right cutte of the worde, without gigges or fancies of hæreticall and

newe opinions. Thys tieth not a Preacher to one place continuailie. Forwarde Sir Iohn, you must change your argument.

1. Thest, 2. v. 10. The Thessalonians were witnesses of Paules behauiour among them. And 2. Thest, 3. 10. He desires to see their face. Giue me thy hande, this makes for me. When he was among them, then he was Resident, when he did long personally to be with them againe to teach them farther, then he was absent. ô Paule art thou guiltie of the blood of the Thessalonians? if not, woe be to that wretched mouth of Wales.

These places are too short in the waste to serve hys turne, he will be with vs to bring anone I doubt not. 1. Peter. c. v. 2. The Minister must feede his flocke willingly. What of this? ergo he must neuer be away. Hoe Ball hoe, I perceive the fellowe is bird eyed, he startles and fnuffes at euery shadow. Is his braine so bitten with the frost, that no better proofe will bud out of it? Yes I warrant you, either we goe to the wall nowe or neuer. Acts. 20 v. 18. 19. 20. Paule tels the Church of Ephefus, that he had beene among them at all feafons, and taught through euerie house. All seasons, and Enerie house. How like you this? A rodde for the Grammer boy, he dooth nothing but wrangle about words. What a ftur haue we heere with All and Euerie? The word All, is taken formtimes in the Scriptures for all forts, or all maner, as Luk. 11. v. 42. The Scribes and Pharifies are faide to tythe Omne olus, that is, all forts, and all manner of hearbes, Minte, Cummin, Anise and the rest. Sometimes the word All in the Scriptures is taken for Manie. Rom. 5. v. 8. By the transgression of one, all are damned (as the Apostle there teacheth vs, ) but by the benefit of one, all are faued, that is, Manie: for so he expoundeth himselfe in the next verse following, where he saith: that as by the first man Adam, there be many slaine, so by Christ there be many faued. To the poynt now, Paul was among the Ephelians at all fealons, not that he was never absent

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from them, for howe coulde he then have preached in Macedonia and other places after he had preached at Ephefus? It falleth out answerable to this distinction that his conversation among them at all seasons, was all fores of feafons, all manner of feafons, earely, and late, & manie seasons. In his absence from Ephelus, it may be that he loft some of his sheepe among the Ephesians, as he did among the Galathians, yet when he comes to Ephefus to fee them, (determining to goe from thence to Ierusalem, concerning his former absence past, and his latter absence to ensue,) he washeth his handes from the blood of them all, and faith he is guiltie of none of them. in respect he had delivered them al the counsels of God before. People may not looke to lay all vppon the Parfons shoulders, but they must search, and have recourse vnto the Scriptures, which are able to make the man of God perfect.

By the end I have given the Welch-man to his All, he may stitch up his Everie when it pleaseth him. Iohn. 1. v. 9. The Evangelitt declareth Christ to be the true light, which lighteth everie man that commeth into the world. Hath every man that is borne the light of Christ? happie were it then with Turkes Insidels, Atheists, and happie were it then with Penrie, for he should see, how unto this day he hath reeled up and downe like a drunken man, having no scriptures at all to stay himselfe up-

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When the Apostle saith he taught the Ephesians through euerie house, he makes a difference betweene his publique preaching and private counsell, whereby when any were sicke or weake, or occasion required to give them private exhortation, he went vnto them, to binde vppe the broken, and bring them into the folde, not that he did thys everie day, or that he set his soote over everie threshold that was in Ephesus? And thys is performed by our Ministers, which in visiting the sicke and

and breeding of peace betweene man and man, haue oc-

fron formetime to goe from house to house.

Heere the Reformer beeing falne into the nette, and fearing it wold be some bodies chaunce to take him vp, tumbling and strugling to gette away, he curseth all those that goe about to aunswere him, neyther considering that the curse which is causeles shall not come, nor remembring the Apostles counsell, who exhorteth vs all to blesse, and not to curse, because we are the heyres of blessing. Thys is but a stone, throwne vp with furie into the ayre, and is likelie to fall vppon his owne pate, Moins in autorem redit.

To be aunswered by distinctions, that Chawske may not beare the price of Cheese, nor copper be currant to goe for paiment, he thinks to fore-stall or to dyscourage vs, by terming it a scornefull rejecting of godly examples, and a matter altogether childish and vnlearned. Wherein you may behold, what violence he offereth to the holie Ghost, to the Apostle Paule, and to S. Augustine. Is the holie Ghost a scorner? Is Paule childish? Is Augustine that famous piller of the Church vnlearned? The distinction wherewith I have shaken off his proofe, is taught me by the holy Ghost and the Apostle in the places cited, and by S. Augustine, Enchirid. cap. 13. De correp. & Gra. cap. 14. and 4. Cont. Iul. cap. 8.

Other excellent points I could presse and pinch him with to the like purpose, were I not contented to strike the winge, and come downe to his capacitie, whom I pittie to see so bare a schoole-man. He hath no way now to slyppe out of my handes, but to take sentrie in the Hospitall of Warwick, with this or some such like shift of descant; That Paule was an Apostle, who had the whole fielde of the world to tyl, Apostles are now ceased in the Church, and cuerie Minister is tied to a perticuler plow-lande, from which he may not be absent, as

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Paule was, from the places where he had planted. He perceiveth not in all this, that I have his leg in a string still, though I suffer him to flye to make me sport, I can pull him in againe when I luft. Indeede, the immediate calling of the Apostles, theyr working of myracles, theyr commission to quarter out the world, is ceased, but in respect of preaching the word in any place of the dominion wherein the Preacher liueth, though he haue a particuler plow-land of his owne, Apostles cease not, but continue still in the Church, & shall doe vntil the comming of Iefus Christ. Ephe. 4, 11. The place is plaine. He gaue some to be Apostles, for howe long I pray you? unto the measure of the age of the fulnes of Christ. Let them take heede how they deale with this authorite, for thys beeing a place vppon which they have built theyr Prefbiterie, if they pull but one straw out of the nest, al their egges are broken.

How lawfull a matter it is for a Minister to be from his particuler plow-lande, when it tendeth to the commoditie of the same, by his conference abroad with better learned then himselfe, or when it redowndes to the benefit of the whole Church of the kingdome wherein he liueth, or when he is called forth by the authoritie of his superiours, is so soundly prooued, in the desence of the Aunswere to the Admonition, by my L. Archb. of Cant. that I reioyce to trace after him aloofe, with reuerence and honour vnto his steppes. To be short in thys poynt, and shut it vp, that I may the better withdrawe the Welch-man from seeking any succour of T.C. concerning the two points alreadie handled, I wyll shewe you three pretie brawles betweene them, and so leave

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and Penrie, both at buffets. Pag. 126. line. 14.

Iohn Pemie, in his treatise of Reformation, sayth preaching is the onely ordinary meanes to worke fayth in the peoples harts. Tho. Cartwright saith, it is the most ordinarie meane, and most excellent, therein confessing

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a lesse ordinarie, and lesse excellent meane then preaching is. Againe, Iohn Penrie, tyeth the Minister to a continuall feeding, vntill his Maister come, that his Maister may find hym fo dooing. Wherein he confidereth not, that the Pastor eyther preaching sometimes in another place out of his charge, continewes feeding; or conferring with the learned prouideth foode to be given to his fellow servants in due time, and there-withall, having put out his talents to vie, and encreased them, that at the last enter into his Maisters iov. T. C. looseth the corde, Pag. 49. and lets it out a great deale farther, for he holdes, that a feet. vk. Pastor may be absent from his Parish vppon occasion of necessarie worldly busines, it may be he meaneth about

purchasing, as he hath doone.

Last of all, John Penrie, to fnatch vp the cord again, and tye him shorter, telleth vs that a Minister may put no Substitute in his roome, and so consequently cannot be absent. His proofe for it, is in Ezechiell, Where the Prieftes are reproued for appointing others to take the charge of the Sanctuarie vnder them: a common faulte of his, to alleage Scripture before he vnderstandeth it. That place is not understoode of enerie Substitute, but of vncircumcifed Substitutes. T. C. seeing well enough though he fay nothing, that litle help could be gathered out of this place, teacheth vs, that a Pastor may prouide another in his absence if he be an able man. In these three affertions where the one of them dasheth out the others teeth, T.C. is the warieft of the two, for he treads nicelie, as one that daunceth vpon a lyne, mistrusting euery foote an ouer-turn: the Welch-man leapes bluntlie into the bryars with a leafe on his Thinne, caring not much whether head or heeles goe formost.

The last poynt of Reformation to which the treatise leadeth me, is a defire the Reformer hath, that the Bi-Thoppes of the land should be throwne downe, and the Iewes Synedrion fet vp. And why? because from the be-

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beginning of the new Testament to the latter end of it, there is not a word spoken of a Lord Archbishop, nor a Lord Bishop. Will he neuer leave to play the subbert what a lazie, lowtish kind of argument is this, to reason ab authoritate negatine? it is condemned and hyssed out of all Schooles of learning, had it beene a matter of saluation, I could have borne with him to heare him reason negativelie from the authoritie of holy scriptures, and all Schooles of Phylosophers should have vailed the bonet vinto GOD; the case standing as it dooth I cannot but draw my mouth awrie. Not satisfied with the slippe he hath given the Vniversities and Lawes of learning, he is as bolde with the Scriptures and schoole

of Angels.

Bishops, fayth he, pollute the Church two wayes, the one is by theyr dealing in civill matters, the other, by theyr superioritie ouer inferiour Ministers. I might justly scorne to looke vpon so foule a vomit, were I not perswaded, that the poyson beeing tasted before, the drinke I must give you, will be the better welcom. His proofes for these two points are these. Math. 10. 24. 25. The Disciple is not about his Maister. &c. Which lesfon our Saujour giueth his disciples, to encourage them to beare the perfecution, hatred, nyppes, taunting, and euill speeches of the wicked, according to the patterne he had given the, inferring upon it, that if they called the Maifter of the house Belzebub, much more they would doe to the fernaunt, and they must looke for the lyke intreatie. You see there is no such matter as the Reformer would force vpon vs. But you may imagine what a terrible burning fitte he is in, by his toffing and turning from place to place to recover rest, though it torment him much the more.

From the tenth of S. Mathew, he thrustes himselfe into the 18. of S. Iohn. v. 36. My king dome (faith our Sauiour) is not of this world, if it were, my seruments woulde

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fight for me. There was an accusation framed against our Saujour to put him to death, the maine poynt whereof was this, that he affected the Scepter, and fought innouation and change of the present state, whereupon Pilats interrogatorie ministred vinto him was, Art thou the king of the lewes? Christes aunswere vnto him cleeres him of it. They might fee by his proceedinges that he had no fuch pretence, for then he would have fought it by Armes and inuation, as they that hunt for kingdoms doe. No broyles nor commotion beeing made by him, or by his followers, they might perceive he was wrongfully accused, to seeke any subuersion of the state. Thys is Calums judgment upon that place. Had he founde it to make against mingling of Ecclesiasticall and civil authoritie in one perion, I dare auouch he wold haue bent the note of this Canon upon vs prefentlie.

But when Christ saith there, His kingdome is not of this world, he takes it to be spoken in respect of the transitorinesse of worldly kingdoms, that must passe ouer the stage with all they pompe, and come to a winding

vp at last, when his kingdome shall have no end.

They that abused thys place, to prooue out of it, that the cause of Religion ought not to be defended by fword, though it be by fword inuaded, had a little more tincture from hence to lay vppon theyr opinion, than Perrie can have, yet both are from the meaning of the texte. The other quotation of lohn, 6. v. 15. helps him as little as this. Christes hyding himselfe out of the way when the people went about to make him king, was because he came to suffer, not to raigne: and to shew them theyr error, who thought it was in theyr power to make a king, the fetting up of Princes, pertaining not unto them, but vnto God. To gather from thence, that a Minister may not deale in civil causes, is to reason as I heard an Ironmonger did in a Pulpit the last Summer, Moses refused to be the sonne of Pharaohs daughter, ergo, a D. 2.

Minister may not meddle in ciuill causes. Bounse, thers a gunne gone off, doe not the Bishops quake at thys? ô that I could drawe him out of his hole, to print me the poynts which he hath preached, the spirite of the Prophets being subject to the Prophets, and his spirite and doctrine examined by the spirite and doctrine of the Church of England, you should see me so clapper-claw him for it, that he should have no joy to runne into Reformation, before he be better learned. The pearle of the word, must not be weighed in those scales that men commonly vse so weigh their yron, it is a nicer work.

Now me thinkes the Reformer should smell ere I goe any further, that the rest of his reasons have taken water, and are rotten before they come to shore. I see not one of his produes that will abide the hammer, they are so beaten to powder by the examples of the old and new Testament. In the old you shall finde, that Melchi-sedeck, Aron, Eli, and Samuel, were both Priests & Iudges, they both offered Sacrifices, and sate vpon civil causes. In the newe Testament, Christ who refused to be made King of the sewes, tooke vpon him to overthrow the tables of the money changers, and whipt the buiers and sellers out of the Temple. Paule also requested Timothie as a sudge, to receive no accusation argainst an Elder, but under two or three witnesses.

Thys authoritie beeing received from the Prince, under whom we live, and being exercised in the Church under her. The B. of Sarisburie judgeth to become Ecclesiasticall, in that it serveth to the furtheraunce of the Church. The matter having beene so well debated, and resolved upon by so reverend learned men, as with great studie and travaile have run the race before vs. to teache us that come after howe to use our weapons; I wonder how these seelie snayles, creeping but yesterdaic out of shoppes and Grammer-schooles, dare thrust out they seeble hornes, against so tough and mighty adversaries.

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Moreouer, it is very strange to consider howe many gashes the Faction haue given vnto themselves, in denying this invisitation vnto our Ministerie, and seeking it
vnto theyr owne, wherein they will have some of theyr
Elders to be governing and preaching Elders, to handle
the word and the sword together; and whereas our Bishops receive their authoritie from her Maiestie, exercoing it in her name and vnder her, Tho. Carrioright
would have his authoritie to be about her, in the ruling
of the Church, and her Maiestie to be fitted vnto him,
and to his Alder-men, as the hangings to the house.

Looke what a pittifull Megrim it is, that troubleth them in this poynt, the like God wot maketh theyr braines to crow in the superioritie of Bishoppes about theyr bretheren. Are all Ministers I beseech you of equall authoritie? Howe then commaundeth Paule Titus and Timothie, and they obey him in the matters he give them in charge? Is he that is directed and commaunded, equall with him that directeth and commaundeth? Theyr crosse-blowe of Fellowe labourers, will not

faue theyr ribbes, if they be no better Fencers.

The Archb. and inferior Minister are both equal, in respect of theyr fight in the Lordes battailes, as the Generall of the fielde and the common Souldiours are, but not in respect of ordering and disposing of the fight, when every Souldiour is appointed to his place. Thys equalitie beeing hatched by Aerius, it is well produed by Ma. Doctor Bancroft in his Sermon at Paules crosse, both out of Epiphanius and S. Augustine, to have beene condemned for an hæresie, with the consent of the whole Church.

When S. from heares of such a matter, he wonders at it. For the Bishop of Ierusalem beeing requested to appeare in a Counsell, and refusing it, sent one fidorus a Priest in his stead, a Bishoppe was looked for, a Priest came, who to couer the Bishops absence, had nothing to

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alleage but that it was all one, and the authoritie of the one, as great as the other, because he was a man of God that seme, Nihil interest inter Presbyterum et Episcopum, eadem digmass mutentis et missis hoc satis imperite, in portu et du tur naufragium. What, saith S. Jerom, is there no difference betweenea Priest and a Bishop? is the dignitie of him that is sent, as great as his that sendeth him? This is spoken without with out with or learning, and this is even at the first putting

The first lifting up of a Bishep, as S. Jerom noteth, was the very phisicke of the Church against Schisme, least every man drawing his owne private way; the joynes of Gods house should be puld one from another,

into harbour, to cast away the thyp. and district of

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The weakest sight in the worlde may well discerne, that this busie seeking of an equalitie among the Clergie, is the practise of Nahash with the men of sabish when they were besieged. He would admitte no conditions of peace with them, except he might thrust out they right eyes, and bring a shame upon all Israell. Bishops were listed uppe into the highest places of the Church, as the right eyes of the people of the Lorde, to keepe watch against Schisme & Hæresse; no peace, no truce, no silence, no agreement will be gotten at the handes of the Faction, except we suffer them to bore out these eyes, that a shame and reproche may be brought uppon all Religion.

Thys is the conclusion of Penries prayer in his Epistle to the Treatife, that the Bishoppes may be thrust as
one man out of the Church, and the name of them forgotten in Israell for euer. Nowe is the broode of hell
broken loose, the Church is a befieged labesh, the deuill
having whetted the sword of Spayne against it, & finding open force to be nothing worth, he cals out his Pianers, and sets Marsin and Penrie a worke to vindermine

it. But heere is our comfort. As the spirit of God came vpon Saul, and Rung him forward, to put to fword, and to scatter the hoste of Nahash in such forte, that there. were not two of them left together; The spirite of the Lord shall come upon her Maiestie, and kindle her sagred hart with a newe courage to strike home, that there may notone couple of the Faction be left together in the Realme of Englande, not so much as to binde vppe each others woundes nor one to be-mone another.

What is it els to defire this equalitie, but that every man might be his owne indge, and teach what he wyll in his owne charge, when he hath no Bilhoppe about him to controll him? Howe dangerous this is in the high and hidden mifteries of the worde, a man may perceiue by experience in common matters, for euen in things dailie fubicet vnto our fences, a mans owne aduice, is commonly the worst counseller he can have. Salomon who was a great deale wifer then any Sect-mafter euer was, or wyll be, hath given vs warning. That if a man beginne once to be wife in his owne conceite, there is greater hope of a foole then of him. And I dare awouch, that who foeuer is possessed with an ouerweening, or gives two much credit vnto himselfe, needeth not to be tempted of the douill, because he is a tempter, and a deuill voto himfelfe.

At the delivery of the Lawe in Sinay, GOD com- Ex o, 19. maunded his people to be folded up, and to thand within the barres, vppon paine of death; At the deliverie of the Gospell, our Saujour branded his sheepe with these two marks, hearing, and following. They must harken to IOH. 10. 3. the voice of him that teacheth, and followe the trace of him that leadeth; they may neither commaund, nor goe before. When they beginne to fnuffe vppe the winde in theyr nofes, like the wilde Afte in the Wilderneffe. which tyreth all that follow her; when they Itande vpon the pinacle of everie Tower & Callle, built in the ayre

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by theyr owne conceite, and fay to the Bishoppes as the people did to Ieremie, What some commeth out of our own mouth, that will we doe, then they are verie case to be doceived. And then it fareth with them, as it did wyth the Disciples of our blessed Sautour, he appearing vnto them upon the Sea, they tooke him for a spirit, and imagining theyr Maister to be a bugge, they grewe verie fearefull of a great benefit.

Such a dazling it is that afflicteth the eyes of our Reformers, our Maister Lesus offereth himselfe vinto vs in this excellent government of the Church, by grave and learned Lorde Bishoppes, but they mistake it to be Satanicall, and tremble and quake at they own com-

moditie.

But to come to anker, if they be of one fayth, and one hope with ws, let them beloe to twine vppe a three-fold corde, and become of one hart with vs. Let witte, which is windie obtaine the leffe, that Charitie which edifieth may gaine the more. No doubt but our Saui-our had an especial care of the vnitie of his Church, both when he made his request vnto his father, that we might be one as the father and he are one, and when he tooke his leave of his Church with so kinde a farewell, My peace I give you, my peace I leave vnto you

If this peace wyll not be had at they handes, that have so long troubled the Church of GOD among vs. I cast them my Gauntlet, take it vp who dares, Martin or any other, that can drawe out any Quintessence of villagie beyoynde Martin, the cause shall not want a

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I have nowe gallopped the fielde to make choyles of the ground where my battaile shall be planted. And when I have sent you the May-game of Martinisme, at the next setting my soote into the styrroppe after it, the signet shall be given, and the fielde fought. Whatsoever hath beene written to any purpose of eyther side, shall be ledde

ledde out into the plaine, the foote-men and horse, sinall shotte and artilerie shall be placed: every troupe, wing and squadron ordered, and the banners displayed. Therwithall I will make both Armies meete, and the battaile ioyne, bullet to bullet, staffe to staffe, pyke to pyke, and sworde to sworde; the blowes dealt, and the breache made upon the Puritanes shall be discovered, you shall see who be false and who be fledde, what Captaines are

flaine, and what Enfignes taken.

Archb. of Canterburie hath behaued himselfe with his battle-axe, and howe the braynes of Tho. Cartwright flye thys way and that way, battered and beaten out, euery bone in his bodie pittifullie broken, and his guttes trayling upon the grounde: heere a legge, and there an arme, of his followers shall be gathered uppe, and the carkases of the deade, like a quarrie of Deare at a generall hunting, hurled uppen a heape. Wherein my Supplication shall be to the Queenes most excellent Maiestie at the end, that our Conquerors returning from the chace, may by vertue of her highnesse fauour and authoritie, holde still the honour which they have wonne, and well deserved, in the service of GOD, and the crowne of England.

Therefore as the Reformer hath made proclamation for Armour and Munition, desiring you to help him to a booke of Church discipline, which he sayth was written in the dayes of King Edward the sixt, the Authors whereof, he sayth, were M. Crammer, and Sir Iohn Cheeke. The like proclamation make I in his behalfe, because mine, peraduenture, will come to more handes then his. Furnish him I pray you, the better he is prouided, the greater honour it will be to ouerthrowe him. I would be glad he should have it, (if there be any such) and sette downe what he can ere I come footh againe, that I may drive all before me, and roote out the verie

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In which exployt, as Berzillas the Gileadite, refufed to courte it in his age, refining that place to hys
Sunnes, as fitter for younger yeeres; So, I befeeche all
our Bishoppes, Doctors, and auncient men, vpon whose
filuer heads the Almond-tree hath blossomde, to give vp
this taske to me, and fitte and judge of my labours. The
spirite of the Lord assisting me, opportunitie, and other
circumstaunces concurring with it, I trust they shall see
me pricke it, and praunce it, like a Canaliero that hath
learned to manage Armes. From my Castell and
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